Provider E-Newsletter
Special Alert
National Provider Identifier (NPI)

The NPI is here. The NPI is now. Are you using it?

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Data Dissemination Roundtable

Registration is Open for the June 14th
Data Dissemination Roundtable

CMS will host a national roundtable on the Data Dissemination Notice on June 14, 2007 from 2-3:30PM EDT. Registration details are available by visiting the CMS website at: http://www.cms.hhs.gov/NationalProvIdentStand/downloads/RegistrationInfoNPI614.pdf. Registration will close at 2:00 p.m. EDT on June 13, 2007, or when available space has been filled. No exceptions will be made, so register today!

As always, more information and education on the NPI can be found at the CMS NPI page www.cms.hhs.gov/NationalProvIdentStand on the CMS website. Providers can apply for an NPI online at https://nppes.cms.hhs.gov or can call the NPI enumerator to request a paper application at 1-800-465-3203.

NPI Questions?

Visit the DMAS NPI Website at http://www.dmas.virginia.gov/npi-home_page.htm for frequent updates, NPI FAQs (Frequently Asked Questions), and common NPI Billing Errors. If you have additional NPI or API questions, e-mail them to NPI@dmas.virginia.gov.

Getting an NPI is free - not having one can be costly.

Updated Group Practice Definition

Group Practice health care providers are entities composed of one or more individual fee-for-service practitioners (members), generally created to provide coverage of patients' needs in terms of office hours, professional backup and support, or range of services resulting in specific billing or payment arrangements. Group Practice health care providers are organization health care providers: they have a federal EIN and a Type-2 NPI.

Note: DMAS does not consider a CSB, RHC, or FQHC to be a Group Practice. We will adjudicate your Medicare Crossover claims based on the Billing Provider NPI.
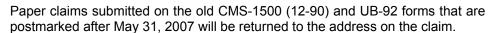
Individual practitioners who have incorporated their practice, and bill *Medicare* using a Type-2 Organization NPI for the Billing Provider and a Type-1 Individual NPI for the Rendering Provider, should contact the Provider Enrollment Unit at 1-888-829-5373. You should enroll as a Group Practice with Virginia Medicaid so that your Medicare Crossover claims will adjudicate properly.

All Provider Enrollment Applications, including Group Practice Enrollment Applications, are available on the DMAS website at http://www.dmas.virginia.gov/search.asp?Userid=2&type=8. Individual providers who are a member of the group will need to complete a Reassignment of Benefits form in order to be affiliated with the Group Practice so that payment may be made to the organization's EIN.

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New CMS-1500 (08/05) and UB-04 Reminder

Effective June 1, 2007 use of the new CMS-1500 (08-05) and UB-04 forms is required when submitting paper claims for all DMAS programs, including Virginia Medicaid, FAMIS, SLH and TDO.

Paper claims submitted on the old CMS-1500 (12-90) and UB-92 forms that are postmarked after May 31, 2007 will be returned to the address on the claim.

Rate Changes

The following Medicaid Memos address rate changes that are effective July 1, 2007:
- Northern Virginia Rate Differential for MR, DD, and Day Support Waiver Services
- Rate Increase for Personal Care and Related Services
- Physician Rate Increases
- BabyCare Rate Changes